

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

**RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (NPDES No. CA0079081)
FOR
CITY OF CHICO
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
BUTTE COUNTY**

The City of Chico (Discharger) owns and operates the Chico Water Pollution Control Plant, which provides treatment for up to 12.0 million gallons per day (mgd) of domestic wastewater from the community of Chico. The Facility discharges secondary treated wastewater to the Sacramento River, a water of the United States.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board or Board) will consider renewal of the Discharger's existing NPDES permit (referred to as Waste Discharge Requirements or WDRs), proposing new or more restrictive effluent limitations for ammonia, electrical conductivity, chlorodibromomethane and dichlorobromomethane. The Discharger is able to immediately comply with the new effluent limitations.

A public hearing to address this matter will be held during the Regional Board meeting which is scheduled for:

DATE: 27, 28, 29 January 2010
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Drive #200
Rancho Cordova, CA

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Regional Water Board Staff
- City of Chico Representatives

Designated parties but not interested persons will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. Central Valley Water Board staff will prepare the administrative record, and may present evidence, make an oral presentation and cross-examine opposing witnesses.

Interested persons may not cross examine witnesses, and will not be subject to cross examination. Interested persons may submit evidence (e.g., photographs, eye-witness testimony, monitoring data) if the evidence is submitted in accordance with the deadlines for submitting evidence described below. Interested persons who present evidence may be subject to cross-examination. Interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Board no later than **4 January 2010**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is affected by the discharge.

The tentative amendment to Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2010-TENTATIVE was issued on 19 November 2009. Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than by noon on **4 January 2010**. Written materials submitted after noon on the above date will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Chair. A party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that the late submission would not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Board.

Anyone having questions on **the City of Chico Water Pollution Control Plant** should contact **Greg Cash at 530-224-3208**. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Board's office at 415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002-0129 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

James C. Pedri, P.E.
Assistant Executive Officer

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